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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

12 Plaintiff,

13 vs.

14 MONIKA LOWE,

15 Defendant.  
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Case No. 1:25-po-00019-SAB

MOTION FOR ORDER AUTHORIZING  
VIDEO APPEARANCE; ORDER

Date: October 9, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Judge: Hon. Stanley A. Boone

17 Defendant Monika Lowe, through counsel, hereby moves this Court for an order  
18 authorizing her to appear via video at the October 9, 2025 change-of-plea hearing.<sup>1</sup>

19 Ms. Lowe made an initial appearance by video on February 20, 2025. (ECF #7). At a  
20 status conference on August 14, 2025, counsel indicated that Ms. Lowe intends to enter a guilty  
21 plea, and a change-of-plea hearing was set for October 9, 2025. (ECF #17).

22 At the time Ms. Lowe made her initial appearance by video, she was living in Mexico.  
23 She has now moved back to the United States and is living in San Diego. However, she does not  
24 currently have a vehicle to transport herself from San Diego to Fresno. If authorized to appear  
25 by video, Ms. Lowe will appear indoors, on a wi-fi connection, and not on a cellular phone.  
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28 <sup>1</sup> Defense counsel recognizes that this Court generally does not grant motions to appear by video  
filed within a week of the hearing and apologizes for the lateness of this motion. Counsel was  
sick for several days last week, which delayed her ability to communicate with Ms. Lowe about  
whether she had been able to obtain a vehicle.



1 In light of the foregoing, the defense respectfully requests that the Court authorize  
2 Ms. Lowe to appear via video at the October 9, 2025, hearing. In the alternative, the defense  
3 requests that Ms. Lowe's change-of-plea hearing be continued to the next calendar date of  
4 November 20, 2025.

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6 Respectfully submitted,

7 HEATHER E. WILLIAMS  
8 Federal Defender

9 Date: October 6, 2025

/s/ Laura Myers

10 LAURA MYERS  
11 Assistant Federal Defender  
12 Attorney for Defendant  
13 MONIKA LOWE

14 **ORDER**

15 **IT IS SO ORDERED.** Defendant Monika Lowe is authorized to appear via video at the  
16 October 9, 2025, change-of-plea hearing.

17 IT IS SO ORDERED.

18 Dated: **October 7, 2025**



19 **STANLEY A. BOONE**  
20 United States Magistrate Judge  
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